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Glee Club Eats and Sings

The Glee Club, with several faculty people and mothers of students as guests, met at teh Manx Hotel for dinner, before proceeding to Oakland to sing over KGO, last Tuesday evening.

A musical game was played between the courses. Dr. Stanley Rypins, of the Social Science department, won the gentlemen's prize, and Miss Grace Carter, principal of the Training School, won the ladies' prize.

The menu consisted of tomato salad, creamed pea soup, roast pork with apple sauce, potatoes, creamed carrots and green peas, and apple pie. Miss Sheehan planned and arranged the dinner, under the guidance of Miss Levy.

From nine o'clock to ten o'clock the Glee Club was the Surprise Number of the evening for the listeners in of KGO. Miss Levy had charge of the entire program.

Miss Laura O'Farrell at the piano was accompanied by Miss Ethel O'Farrell at first violin and Miss Doris Malitz at second violin. Their selections were: "Barcarolle," from the "Tales of Hoffman," and "The Dream of a Shepherdess," by Labitzky.

Edna Murphy's solos were: "A Rose in the Garden of Love," "Somewhere a Voice Is Calling," "By the Waters of the Minnetonka," and "The Birth of Dawn." She was accompanied by Evelyn Elster.

The next selection was quite unique. It was a whistling solo by Anna Johannsen, with Katherine Clark at the piano. Her program included "Carmania" and "The World Is Waiting for the Sunrise."

The cantata, "The Swallow," by Otis M. Carrington, was next, with Ursula Murphy as the soloist. The double quartette in the cantata was composed of: Mary McFeely, Orenda Woods, Lucille Byrne, Ursula Murphy, Edna Murphy, Helen Kak, Edna Gainer, and Josephine Codoni.

On November 4, this same program will be given at the college, for the parents and friends of the Glee Club members.

Class Dance To Break Tradition

This year the senior class of S. F. T. C. will break a long-established tradition, by holding its dance at the Century Club, instead of in the gym.

December 11 is the date set for the "hop." This gives the young ladies seven weeks to dig up "something" to escort them on that eventful eve.

The class of February '25 wishes to show its appreciation of August '24's enviable school record, by giving it the best dance ever.

The committee chairmen are: Hostess committee, Willella Porter; refreshments, Eunice Arstrong; music, Rose Wilson; finance. Eva La Rue; invitation, Ruth Michelson.

A candy sale, to be held Wednesday, October 27, wil lhelp raise the necessary funds for the dance. This will not be sufficient, however, so the committee urgently requests that all February '25 girls pay their fifty cents dance assessment immediately.

School Sing Held

"We're big; we show it. We're smart; we know it." This, the opinion of the class of August '24, was expressed in its yell, at Assembly on Thursday, October 21, held for the purpose of selecting some suitable songs and yells for S. F. T. C.

The program proceeded with Miss Bertha Hill as chairman; and, after the music majors did their bit with a song, each class, from August '24 to August '26, gave a yell, a school song, and a school hymn.

August '24, in green and white, captured first place in all three events. August '26, the Freshmen, distinguished themselves by taking second honors. They occupied the most seats in the auditorium; on each verdent head was perched a saucy, little, red and white felt, collegiate hat.

August '25 came in for third place —no little honor to be sure.

One February class distinguished itself by composing an entirely original song. Shirley Milman of February '25 is the composer. Each of the other classes took some fairly well known melody and put suitable words to it..

There were nine judges selected from the faculty and participating classes; they were as follows:

August '25—Helen Garvin.
August '26—Pat Schultz.
February '26—Rosalie McBride.
August '24—Elaine Ennis.
February '25—Marian Petersen.

Faculty—Miss Hale, Mrs. McCauley, Mr. Morse, Miss Ward.

Annual Staff Plans Fund Raising

At a recent meeting of the Annual staff, several plans for the raising of money to defray the cost of the book were discussed.

One plan was to give a student dance every friday at one o'clock in the old gym. Good dance music would be furnished. A small charge for the hour of dancing would net the Annual a tidy sum, if the dances became popular.

A second plan was to have a series of instructional movies one day a week. It has been discovered that pictures of travel, interesting events, and comedies, etc., can be obtained from the motion picture exchanges down town. Since the college owns a machine, it would be easy to put on these shows.

Already a cookie sale has been out on. Though it netted a rather modest amount, it was an excellent start. The staff is urging that any student with a suggestion should talk with the editor and business manager.

Education is not only a matter of books, class room lecture and study, it has a far more reaching influence, penetrating every phase of our lives, our organizations, clubs, activities, associations, and interests.

The school Annual, published at the close of each year, is a reflection of all these interests. Every club and organization, both of faculty and students, finds a place within its pages. It is the official organ of the school.

W. A. A. To Give Big Dinner

The entire Student Body will be invited to a dinner, to be held by the W. A. A. at Wilson's, November 9th, according to plans now being made by the organization.

Those in charge of the affair are working to make the dinner one of the finest ever given here. Many novel features will characterize the entertainment. There will be attractive decorations, place cards, the kind of "eats" that "hit the spot," and a big list of surprises that will not be divulged till the last minute.

Posters will appear in the halls so that members of the Student Body may sign up. A large crowd is expected to attend. The charge will be small—eighty cents.

Faculty Dine At San Remo Hotel

Can you imagine Miss Crumpton putting her foot on the rail of a saloon bar to pay for her dinner? Worse yet! Can you imagine her walking through a pool room to eat that dinner?

But, do not get the wrong impression. Miss Crumpton shared her sin with most of the institution's instructors, when the Faculty Club held a reception for its new members.

The place is an old wooden building in the heart of the immigrant quarter at North Beach. The dining hall is a large room, void of any decorations. A block "C" was the shape of the table. Faculty members were seated on both sides.

The menu was generous in the extreme. A salad was followed by soup and grated cheese in prodigious quantities.

After this, came a serving of macaroni, with two kinds of meat. There was plenty of French bread, with no butter to go with it. A vegetable course was also served with the dinner. The beverages to go with the dinner were coffee and beer. All of this was served on an oil cloth table cloth.

The instructors met at Peoples Place, 555 Chestnut Street, where they made ready to journey to the San Remo Hotel.

Mrs. Bertha Monroe, teacher of Immigrant Peoples and American Institutions, was the general chairman.

The main purpose of the meeting was to get the old and new members acquainted.

After dinner the party adjourned to Peoples Place where the remainder of the evening was spent in talking.

Everyone said she or he had a very happy evening, and expressed a desire for more meetings of this kind in the future.

Who's Winning?

Is your team winning, or don't you know?

The following are the scores for the basketball games played so far:

Wednesday, October 13—August '26 vs. August '26, unlimited—20-8.

Friday, October 15—August '24 vs. February '25, 120 lb.—16-13.

Monday, October 18—August '24 vs. August '25, unlimited—22-7.

Friday, October 22—August '24 vs. August '26, unlimited—29-8.

Monday, October 25—February '26 vs. August '26, unlimited—35-10.

The remaining games will be played in the new gym at 4 o'clock on the dates posted.

Astronomical Scandal Aired

"You may stay all night," said Professor Lindsey, who is in charge of the Chabot Observatory, but none of our students felt they could wait that long to see all the stars and planets that are floating in the infinite spaces. However, a few waited till after nine o'clock in order to see Mars.

Dr. Biddle is extending his semi-annual invitation to the members of his science classes to visit the observatory, and many students are availing themselves of the opportunity. Among them is Ralph Anderson, who, although he thoroughly enjoyed himself, expressed the regret that his lady friend could not accompany him, for she had to take part in a play.

"Bring your gentleman friend with you as an escort," invited the congenial instructor of astronomical bodies, and then he deliberately told of the "fine, old, meandering path" that leads to this castle of knowledge.

Four young men from the College of Pharmacy attended with the Friday night group and were very generous in explaining to our fair, young knowledge-seekers many of the intricate points that are bound to arise when college students go star-gazing.

"It was a splendid opportunity," say those who attended. We believe and hope they made the most of their opportunity.

About 150 To Graduate in January

It is expected that about 155 members of the class of August '24 will graduate this January. The administrators feel that it is somewhat early to announce the names of the graduates, since mid-term grades are not yet in.

There were 284 members of the class when it entered, August, 1924. Those not graduating have either dropped out, or have been detained for various reasons. There are fourteen kindergarten students among those graduating, and one student completing her bachelor of arts course.

The present graduating class is larger than the August '23 class, which last January graduated 126 out of a beginning enrollment of 226.

A comparison between the number of kindergarten students in the August '24 class and August '25, shows that there are many more students interested in that line of teaching now. There are 50 kindergarten students in August '25.

Class Eats—And Eats

The class of August '25 held its annual dinner last Thursday evening at the Trocadero Cafe. The affair is of special note because it marks the capitulation of the class determination to dodge meetings. Humble, but all powerful food, is the conqueror.

Forty-five members were gathered round the board where eating, drinking (coffee), and making merry was the program. Miss Ward and Miss Casebolt acted as entertainers and chaperons.

Midge Heaney, class president, was the toastmistress. Her remarks created a generally informal and happy atmosphere. Miss Ward made a short speech, in which she expressed her high opinion of the class of August '25. Her opinion seemed based mainly on the fact that there are very few undersized girls among its members. After the dinner, her opinion must have soared to even greater heights. Miss Casebolt also gave a short talk.

Miss Ursula Murphy gave an impromptu rendition of "Roses of Piccardy," and "The Lilac Tree." Her singing was received with great enthusiasm. Miss Loretta O'Day presented two readings which caused much laughter.

The theory is held out by a number of scientists that the earthquakes Thursday night were caused by August '25 students settling down to sleep. Those at the dinner are strong supporters of this theory.

Self Observance of Training Rules Set

All those working for the fifteen points to be awarded for the keeping of training rules, must hereafter strictly observe the regulations for a period of seven weeks.

The last sport to come under this ruling is W. A. A. swimming. Training regulations for basketball started October 4th.

Each student keeps an individual record for seven weeks. The awarding of the 15 points depends upon the strict observance of the rules. Here they are:

1. Get eight hours of sleep five nights a week.
2. Eat three regular meals a day.
3. Eat at least one green vegetable a day.
4. Eat nothing but fresh fruit between meals.
5. Drink nothing but milk and water. (Exception: One cup of tea or coffee daily.)
6. Take a cold or tepid shower, plunge or sponge daily.
7. Take an hour of activity out of doors daily. (Exception: One-half hour of W. A. A. swimming.)

Faculty Member Has Unique Hobby

Ships on the walls, on the desk, carved from wood, painted from the real thing, and even bottled, are the subject of interest in Mr. Mundt's office. This collection of pictures and small models or ships seems to hold great charm for the gentleman of science.

As a very small boy, Mr. Mundt spent most of his time around the waterfront watching the ships and sailors. With apologies to the composer of the song, "Duna," the lines that go,

"When I was a little lad,
And life was bright and gay,
All to ships and sailor men,
I gave my heart away,"

might well be included in a story of Mr. Mundt's hobby.

When he went to college, astronomy kept his interest in the sea at high pitch. Then he became enamored of radio, and sailed on a ship as its radio operator. By this time, his desire to travel was increased. The more he knew about the sea and its ships, the more fascination it had for him. No doubt, as he sits there in his office surrounded by his ships, he often forgets he is at S. F. T. C.

Perhaps the most unique object in the college is among Mr. Mundt's collection. It is a bottled ship! Bottled even to being corked! It was given to him when he was five years old. He had been taken, at this time, to visit some shipping firm's office. A man, evidently taking a fancy to him, gave him this odd present.

Instead of running off to sea and becoming a sailor on the briny deep, as one might expect, we find him a Physical Science instructor, anchored at Teachers College. It is said that even the firmest anchors give way sometimes. Until it does, his quest for pictures, or models, or what-have-you, goes on.

"I Want You" Whom?

Dame Rumor is busy again! She is circulating the report that the inspiration for Miss Emma Nash's composition, "I Want You," is well known in college circles. But who is it? That is what folks would like to know.

Miss Nash will lead the college orchestra in her latest composition, at the Thursday Assembly, on November 4th. The orchestra will accompany Miss Ursula Murphy, who is to sing the number.

The leader of the orchestra tells this much: The composition is dedicated to her aunt, Miss Ruth Nash. "But," she continues, "perhaps you can guess the identity of the preson when you hear 'I Want You' played at the Student Body Assembly."

A bit of scarlet, half hidden, yet, so real! Ah, Fate, "The Scarlet Letter!" What evil deed does this forbode? What omen from the forgotten past? Ah, thou bit of crimson, why repose so ominously in that box of so innocent a purpose? Does life warrant such a curse? Courage, oh child of Fate! Read, that thou may know thy doom!

What! What news greets this tortured mind? What message of joy, of relief? The Giuld Ritual is on sale! The scarlet slips in question were put in every post box, to announce that each interested student could, upon the payment of one dollar, secure a book.

Kindergartners Organize

Meeting as a special group for the first time, the kindergarten specials held a house warming last Thursday afternoon. The gathering took the form of a Hallowe'en party and was held in the new kindergarten.

The room was decorated with appropriate colors and figures. Wierd and wise jack-o'lanterns gazed down on the festivities from all corners. Fortunes, bristling with unimagined fates, were dealt out by a witch from her faithful caldron. Some say they saw a strange resemblance between this witch and caldron, and a certain Miss Dresser and Miss Brown.

Mrs. Spozio showed her talent for plastic surgery when she successfully attached a tale on a previously tailless cat. The lady was awarded a candy clown in recognition of her service to animaldom. Presenting a strong offensive and defensive attack, Miss McQuire managed to land a pumpkin in the waiting hand of a witch, thereby earning a candy clown and untold honor for herself.

In order that the remaining guests might not become hysterical from jealousy, refreshments were immediately served to all present.

An original skit, presented by a group of the students, proved very entertaining. The scene presented was a room in a city school, with regular teacher and student assistant in charge. Bringing the play to an immediate climax, Miss Allcutt, supervisor, comes to call. The ensuing developments presented a highly amusing burlesque on the project method. The theme of the skit was one close to the hearts of all present and the play was received with great enthusiasm.

The process of house warming was completed by a half hour of dancing, than which nothing seems more effective for such a purpose. Miss Natalie Woolley was largely responsible for the success of the affair. She was assited by Miss Barbour and a committee.

This party marked the beginning of a movement for greater cooperation among the kindergarten students. The group will meet this Thursday afternoon in the kindergarten at four o'clock, to organize into a formal club. The girls and their faculty adviser, Miss Barbour, feel that such an organization will be arel power in the realization of department and school improvements.

Refereeing Must Be Done

Many of the new students do not know that they must have twenty hours of playground refereeing before they graduate. This can be done in hour or half-hour periods, by making arrangements with the director in charge of the playground and supply room. Her office is just above the steps on the first terrace.

Miss Harrington is in charge from 8:15 to 9 o'clock. At this time a great many girls are needed, as the playground is crowded with children. Miss Collins is in charge from ten o'clock until eleven. Girls who referee at this hour must help pump up balls, and see that all apparatus is in condition.

The after-schol group has two directors, one for the boys and one for the girls. Miss L. Brown is in charge of the girls, and Miss Hall is in charge of the boys.

So, if you are free any hour, see a diweather is sunny. Twenty hours must be O. K'd. by Miss Hale before any girl gets her diploma.

PERSONALS

Thelma Taylor, of February '25 class, has announced her engagement to Mr. Ray Eib, a Sacramento man, prominent in athletics.

Joy Biggs, a graduate of January 1926, has been appointed to a permanent position at the Star King School in San Francisco.

Miss Mildred Robertson, former student of this college, has a school at Stinson Beach, and writes that she is enjoying her work.

Dr. Stanley Rypins of this school is delivering a lecture called, "Knowledge," at the Grammar School Auditorium, Woodland, California, Friday, October 29.

The faculty are hoping to have the schedule for the next semester out before the middle of November, so that students can begin to arrange their programs with regard to Student Body activities and part time work.

Natalie Woolley, of the class of August 1924, is leaving for Baltimore on November 20th. Natalie expects to remain there permanently.

Miss Bernice Salters, of the class of February '26, is leaving school to pursue the study of pharmacy.

Miss Dorothy Thompson, who, since her graduation here in June, 1926, has been working in the public library at the Civic Center, has resigned her position there to accept a position teaching a first grade at Martinez.

Kathleen O'Neil is teaching in the San Francisco school department. She is at the Alamo School.

Mrs. Craig, who was formerly an instructor at this college, was a visitor last week. She taught Physical Science. Mr. Morse is her successor this year.

Merle Boise is teaching the kindergarten at the Everett School in Alameda. Last year she taught in McCloud. This year her old class in McCloud is being taught by Lyndan Davis.

Ida Laughlin and Antoinette Devinni are teaching in the San Francisco school department.

Notice

To all those who discard their Vigilantes after reading them:

As many of the girls who are on a leave of absence or ill crave news of the college, the Nyoda Club requests that you turn in your old Vigilantes to it. If you will do this, the Nyoda Club will see to it that the papers are distributed to these girls.

HERE AND THERE

Mrs. Leighton Woodcock, Financial Secretary of Humboldt State Teachers College at Arcata, Humboldt County, paid us a hurried visit, recently.

She was quite amazed at the size of our grounds, for, although she manages a fine school organization, it is the smallest and youngest in California.

The enrollment probably does not exceed two hundred and fifty students, most of whom are drawn from the northwestern part of this state and from southern Oregon.

On Saturday afternoon, October 24, Miss Moe and her advisory group will attend the Curran theatre to see "Gentlemen Prefer Blonds." Following the play, the party will proceed to El Trocadero for dinner.

Arrangements for tickets and dinner have been made. Everyone will meet in front of the Curran at 2:00 o'clock.

Miss Stella Boot, student-teacher at the Haight School, Alameda, reports that all of the clocks in that institution of learning stopped as a result of the tremors which occurred early on the morning of October 22.

Miss Amy Stevens, former assistant to Miss Carter, and a June graduate, writes that she is teaching in a camp six miles from Kernville. She states that Kernville is a picturesque village situated on the Kern River in the foothills of the Sierras. It was founded in the early days of the gold rush and still survives as a resort for sportsmen and vacationists.

Miss Stevens has a very interesting classroom composed of sixteen children in all eight grades.

"We wish all of our teachers had voices like Ursula Murphy." This was the comment made by those parents and teachers who listened to Ursula sing at a meeting of the Fremont Grammar School P. T. A.

Miss Murphy, who is secretary of the class of August '25, was asked by the principal of the Fremont School to sing. Katherine Trainor of the class of February '24 accompanied her.

Mr. Carlos Mundt, of the Science Department of this college, has a surprise for the members of the faculty and the students. He has just written a book, but will not make public the title or the publishing company.

Few people, either faculty or students, know that our practical Home Economics Supervisor, Miss Spelman, is quite an accomplished amateur harpist.

Miss Spelman became interested in the harp when she was a girl. At this time she studied at a convent in Leavenworth, Kansas. She later studied with a Mrs. McCuary in San Francisco.

For the present Miss Spelman has discontinued study.

Expressing surprise at the large number of names on the Who's Who list of the school—which is posted in the lower hall—President Anderson, in an interview, stated that our many student activities held forth much excellent opportunity for training in leadership.

Dr. Burk— His Ideas and Ideals

(Note: Many of the new students of this college do not know about the first President of the San Francisco State Teachers College. This article will endeavor to tell who Dr. Burk was and about his ideals.)

Dr. Frederick Burk became the President of this instituuion in 1899, and remained in that capacity until his death in 1924. The passing of Dr. Burk was not an ordinary loss, as his work was recognized, not only in America, but also in Europe and in the Orient. Our first President was a man of unique character in educational matters, and he built up a college which bears his individual stamp. Dr. Burk devised a plan whereby each pupil could progress according to his ability and inclination.

While he was finishing his work at the Leland Stanford University to get his master's degree, he was also working on various newspapers in San Francisco, and teaching in local schools. After he received his degree, he became Superintendent of the Santa Rosa schools. Then, in 1899, he became the first head of the San Francisco Normal School. At this time he was elected President of the California State Teachers' Association.

Our former president was an author, having written many contributions to magazines on psychological subjects, and the book called, "The Study of Kindergarten Problems." At the present time one of the books of Dr. Burk is being made ready for publication. It is his "Self-Instructive Arithmetic Book." Rand, McNally & Company are the publishers of this book. The date of the publication will be announced later.

The Frederick Burk Training School was named after this man, who left his stamp of individuality upon it.

Waifs Eat Spaghetti

The transfers and special students of S. F. T. C. gathered togethered Thursday evening, October 14th, for the first of what is hoped will be a series of annual dinners.

Sixty-five students appeared at the San Remo Hotel in time to attack the evening's spaghetti.

The market price of this rare Italian fruit was raised to a maximum on Friday because of a sudden scarcity.

During the evening, Miss Edna Murphy sang, "I Saw You Go By," and Ruth Hicks sang, "Just a Wearying For You." Both numbers added much to the general enjoyment.

Among the notables present were: Miss Crumpton, Miss Ward, Miss Vance, Mrs. Monroe, and last, but by far not least, Mr. Ralph Anderson, president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer of the Associated Men's Student Body of S. F. T. C.

Bernice Decker headed the committee on arrangements.

This body of transfers and specials has been an orphan long enough. Attached to no class, these students have been left out of many social affairs. Now, however, a start has been made, and it is hoped that a closer organization of the waifs will be effected.

Dolores Saun and Julia Gerry are teaching in Berkeley. The latter is assiting in the Berkeley kindergarten department.

Hazel Zappetteni is teaching in Siskiyou County. This is her second year in the same school.

History of Children's Library To Be Published

A history of the Children's Library is being written by a child from the Training School and is to be published in the next issue of the School News, the Training School publication.

The writer of the history will tell of its development to the modern, well-equipped library that we now see functioning in the Training School.

A marvelous change has come over the only man student in the San Francisco State Teachers College.

At the Weenie Roast this formerly shy and demure person sang, "Si, Si, Senor," and entertained the girls in a hilarious manner. After the party at the beach, he went to a party that was given by Miss Holmes and Miss Anderson, at their home. Here he continued in his jovial manner to entertain those present with more stories, jokes, and songs.

Last week in Elementary Education he said, "Hades;" the class sat at attention and was shocked beyond words.

The day of the Senior meeting, he had Glo-Co on his hair, in an endeavor to "thrill" the girls.

When, in Dr. Biddle's Physical Science II class, this instructor suggested that some boys from the College of Pharmacy escort the girls, this young "shiek" looked very sad, and asked who would escort him.

Can any one explain the change?

Scandal! Girls Buy Professor a Necktie

"Well, you see I have it on," said our worthy instructor, Dr. Biddle. And so he had. "It" was a very charming red and blue necktie presented to him by his Physical Science II class, that meets at 3:00 o'clock.

And that's not all! No, it's only the half of it, for he has another one, presented to him by the same benevolent students—a green one.

A few weeks ago Dr. Rypins expressed a desire for a "Detective Magazine." He reeceived it.

Now Dr. Biddle receives two neckties without even expressing the desire. Hark ye! Professors, and profit by the experience of your brethren.

Do the legs of a horse bend backwards, forwards or sidewise?

This is a question the students of Dr. Barney's Biology IV class are trying to solve. The class was studying lower extremities when Dr. Barney smilingly put the perplexing question above.

To settle the violent disagreement that arose, Dr. Barney drew on the board diagrams of the possibilities of forward, backward, and sidewise bending of legs. A vote on the correct method was taken, but it was impossible to reach any decision, so the instructor left the question for the class to settle by observation.

Senior Advisors At Work

The Senior Advisors of the August '26 class, under the capable leadership of their president, California Pixley, have shown a decided interest in their work this semester. The purpose of this group, which is composed of students selected from the upper classes, is to make the new girls acquainted with the workings and routine of S. F. T. C., which is, no doubt, quite different from the high schools from which the girls have come.

One of their most important duties is to get the freshmen girls better acquainted with each other. A step in this direction was taken last Friday when a party was given for the yearlings. The old gym was the scene of the festivities. Punch and nabiscoes were plentiful. Dancing and games made the time fly, and it was no time until five o'clock came. The money for this party was raised through a candy sale by the advisors; the sum of twenty dollars was cleared.

The advisors hold a meeting nearly every Wednesday afternoon, where plans by which the girls can do the most for the freshmen are discussed. Any suggestions from the freshmen will be gladly accepted.

Former Faculty Member Living at Roseville

Mrs. Georgia Myers, former member of the English Department of this college, is now making her home in Roseville, where Dr. Myers is opening his offices in the Farlow Building.

"When it gets too hot in Roseville," says Mrs. Myers, "I shall come to San Francisco for a visit."

"My new address," she mentioned, "will be 103 Franklin Avenue, Roseville, California."

Formerly head of the English Department here, last year she closed a term of several years of active teaching.

Four Students Graduate

Four students were graduated from the regular elementary teaching course here, October 15. This unusual graduation is a result of the change from the old quarter system to the semester basis, made effective two years ago.

Due to the resulting confusion, many students found it necessary to piece out their courses, or to spend a larger time in school.

The four students, whose names were favorably voted upon at the special faculty meeting, were: Misses Helen Hoen, Anita Judson, Robina King, and Norma Kitto.

Richmond Commuters Hold "Kid" Party

Winifred Wyllie and nineteen other Richmond girls, held a Kid Hallowe'en party, Friday night, in the appropriately decorated Richmond Club House, for the purpose of stimulating greater social feeling among the commuters.

The evening was spent in children's games and stunts, for which prizes were awarded. Frances Freethy won a package of safety pins for the best original stunt. Fern Scarlett and Madge Baker delighted the guests with childish vocal numbers, and Mary Kelly won the door prize, a generous bag of bath salts.

The midnight supper of sandwiches, ice cream, cake, and candy capped the climax of the party.

Mrs. Cowell Invites Faculty And Families To Recital

Mrs. Cowell, teacher of United States and California Constitutions, invited several faculty people and their families to meet Mr. Rudolph Schaeffer and Mr. Henry Cowell, on last Thursday afternoon, at the Schaeffer Studios, 127 Grant Avenue. Mr. Schaeffer exhibited his recent Rhythmo-Chromatic Designs, and Mr. Cowell played some of his own compositions.

Mr. Schaeffer's courses are designed to help artists, decorators, stage designers, craft workers, and fabric salesmen by giving them an understanding of the modern use of color. Through an understanding of the basic principles of the Rhythmo- Chromatic Design, the individual reaches freedom of creative expression in the arts and daily life. Rudolph Schaeffer was formerly head of the Decorative Design Department of the California School of Fine Arts. He was decorator of the Greek Theater at Berkeley, an da lecturer at Stanford University. He now has his own school at

Henry Cowell, a modern composer, is a step-son of Mrs. Olive Cowell of this institution. He is admitted to be an outstanding figure in modern music. He has just returned from a tour of Europe. His technique on the piano is notable. Through the use of tone clusters, played with the entire hand and forearm on the keys, he has practically created an entirely new instrument of enormous flexibility.

Miss Ruth Fleming, librarian, assisted Mrs. Cowell in receiving the faculty groups.

Class Teams Picked

The preliminary class tennis tournaments have been played off, and the highest ranking players from each class have been picked to constitute the class teams.

Managers have been appointed for each team. For August 1924, B. Kelly will do the piloting. For August 1925, V. Pierce was picked. B. Sheldon will manage February 1926, and D. Eggers, August 1926.

The teams line up as follows: For August 1924, V. Setencich, first singles; A. Clancy, second singles; G. Waldon and M. Falkenstein, first doubles; B. Kelly and I. Hurliman, second doubles.

For August 1925, E. Byrne, first singles; M. Byrne, second singles; U. Schuldt and H. Renwald, first doubles; H. Mayer and A. McKuevo, second doubles.

For February 1926, A. Higginson, first singles; B. Sheldon, second singles; A. Paulson and G. Banner, first doubles; W. Tiederlion and N. White, second doubles.

Purpose of Card In Dean's Window

A bright blue sign, which can be seen very plainly by those sitting in the reserve section of the library, now hangs in the window of Miss Ward's office. The purpose of this sign is to notify students in the library who are waiting to see Miss Ward, when she is ready to receive them. When Miss Ward turns the side of the card with "next" printed on it toward the library, it is a signal for the next person in line to come.

It is hoped that this system will do away with the numbers of girls waiting in front of the Dean's office and give the girls a chance to study while they are waiting.

Faculty Club Formed

A group of faculty people are organizing an informal sort of educational club which will meet every Thursday at lunch time to discuss the problems and aspects of progressive education. This group will compare theory and practice of our training school to the new educational movements that are taking place here and in Europe.

At the first meeting, attended by about a score, Mr. Valentine was elected chairman, and Miss Talbert secretary. The meetings will be held in the study room. Each faculty member gets a tray of food in the cafeteria and goes to the meeting place. The eating and discussion starts simultaneously.

Mr. Morse Announces Essay Contest

The American Chemical Society, conducting its fourth annual Prize Essay Contest, has, in recognition of correct teaching to all progress, included a special contest for normal and state teachers' college students.

Six prizes of $500, six of $300, and six of $200 will be awarded to the students who write the first, second, and third best essays, respectively, on each of these subjects: The Relation of Chemistry to Health and Disease, The Relation of Chemistry to the Enrichment of Life, The Relation of Chemistry to Agriculture or Forestry, The Relation of Chemistry to National Defense, The Relation of Chemistry to the Home, The Relation of Chemistry to the Development of An Industry or a Resource of the United States.

These contests are made possible by the beneficence of Mr. and Mrs. Francis P. Garvan, of New York. The American Chemical Society feels that these annual contests have stimulated a new interest in reading, and in acquiring facility in the use of the library, and that they have given to many a new conception of the science of chemistry. The direct purpose of the contest is to instil, generally, a live interest and appreciation of chemistry and a realization of its importance to our national life.

The Society stresses the point that no technical knowledge is required. Neither is it necessary that students be enrolled in courses of chemistry in order to enter the contest. It would seem that a real interest in the subject is a contestant's greatest asset.

Six scholarships to Yale University, Vassar College, or other institutions will also be awarded the winners of the national contest for high and secondary school students. These will include, besides tuition, a $500 expense account. There is a contest for college and university freshmen. Six prizes of $1,000 each have been provided.

In order that reference books may be available to contestants, all accredited schools and libraries have been provided, without charge, with a set of fine reference books, "Creative Chemistry," by Edwin E. Slosson; "Life of Pasteur," by R. Vallery Rodot; "Riddle of the Rhine," by Victor Lefebure; "Discovery, or The Spirit and Service of Science," by Sir Richard Gregory; "The Future Independence and Progress of American Medicine in the Age of Chemistry," by a Committee of American Scientists.

These books and a great many other helpful references are in the library here. Mr. Morse, member of the S. F. T. C. physical science department, has charge of the contest in this school. He already has interviewed a number of prospective contestants, and has in his possession one nearly complete essay. Anyone interested should consult with Mr. Morse.

Herbert Hoover, Secretary of Commerce of the United States, heads the Committee on Awards, a group made up of thirty-four prominent Americans.

All essays must be in by March 1, 1927.

Employment Bureau Functioning

The Nyoda Club, which is now in its second semester of usefulness, is engaged in building up its employment bureau for students who wish to do part time work.

Miss Ward, who is the club sponsor, approves the types of work that are offered to the girls. The stores which have registered requests for help are desirous that all applicants bring a recommendation from the Dean's office when applying for a position.

Girls who are interested in securing part time positions are requested to watch the bulletin boards for lists of available positions, and to make applications through Miss Ward immediately.

Now that the holiday season is approaching, many requests have come from the large department stores for students who can work Saturdays and holidays.

Miracle Player May Speak Here

A member in the cast of "The Miracle," the spectacular play to be presented at the Civic Auditorium by Morris Gest, December 27 and for three weeks thereafter, may speak before the students here, if plans mentioned by President Anderson materialize.

"The Miracle" began playing under Gest's supervision at the Century Theater in New York, in January, 1924. It was afterward taken to Cleveland as a civic enterprise, thence to Cincinnati, and finally to Boston.

The production is so vast and costly that only community support makes it possible for most cities to have it produced.

In Mr. Anderson's opinion, the play should be seen by every student here who can possibly arrange to attend, not only for the artistry of the production, but for its educational value.

College Department Here Unique In the West

In accordance with its policy of leadership in the various new movements for the improvement of the teaching process, the San Francisco State Teachers College has established one of the most complete visual instruction departments to be found in any college or university in the west.

The department is housed in Room 33, where a collection of all types of visual material and up-to-date equipment is kept. Here there are 4,000 stereoptican slides, mostly hand colored, dealing with all phases of geography, ancient and modern history, biology, nature study, astronomy, and art.

For the past two months, Mrs. Dorris, head of the visual education department, has been working on a set of slides dealing with the races of mankind. These slides consist of typical subjects of each race, and of maps and charts showing the distribution and classification of the peoples of the world, according to race and language. Although this set was selected and organized to meet the specific needs of students in the Human Geography courses, the slides are available for general use.

These slides are made from pictures gathered from magazines and other sources. Some of them are very valuable, costing as high as a dollar and a quarter each.

Besides slides, the department circulates a variety of flat pictures, models, stereographs, exhibits, etc. One of the newest additions to the collection is a set of fourteen rolls of colored film slides depicting the whole history of California, as worked out by Dr. Coy, formerly a member of the S. F. T. C. faculty. These film-slides are the latest invention in the way of Visual Instruction material.

Mrs. Dorris has recently issued a complete catalogue of all Visual Instruction material on hand. Copies of this catalogue have been placed in the hands of all student teachers and members of the faculty.

The development of the Visual Education department began four years ago under Dr. Burk. This college is at present the only college in the West that offers a comprehensive course in this new problem in education, while there are but twenty-three colleges in all the United States that offer such a course.

Mrs. Dorris and Mr. Anderson are very anxious that the student teachers become acquainted with the equipment on hand and use the Visual Education department as they do the library.